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SUBJ: FONMIN'S VIEWS ON CANAL, CUBA AND TLATELOLCO

1. FONMIN VAZQUEZ WAS INTERVIEWED BY FIVE REPORTERS ON A RADIO INTERVIEW PROGRAM MAR 3. HE MADE A NUMBER OF POINTS ON COLOMBIA'S RIGHTS IN THE PANAMA CANAL, CUBA AND THE TLATELOLCO MTG.

2. PANAMA CANAL: VAZQUEZ MADE FOLLOWING STATEMENT: "IN MEXICO I WAS ABLE TO HAVE VERY CORDIAL TALKS WITH THE PANAMANIAN FONMIN, JUAN ANTONIO TACK, TO REAFFIRM A FRIENDSHIP THAT HAS IN NO WAY BEEN DIMINISHED BETWEEN OUR TWO NATIONS. WE HAVE ALSO RECEIVED THE US REPLY TO THE NOTE OF 1971 CONCERNING THE TREATY OF APRIL 6, 1914. THE SITUATION IS AS FOLLOWS: THIS TREATY BETWEEN THE US AND COLOMBIA WILL HAVE TO BE DISCUSSED AND RENEGOTIATED BETWEEN THE CONTRACTING PARTIES, ONE OF WHICH, THE US, HAS NEGOTIATIONS PENDING WITH PANAMA. IT SEEMS TO ME THAT THE US AND COLOMBIA SHOULD BEGIN TO STUDY THE MATTER. I AM AWAITING THE ARRIVAL OF THE NEW US AMBASSADOR TO COLOMBIA TO EXCHANGE IDEAS ON THE MANNER IN WHICH WE CAN BEGIN TO DISCUSS, NOT THE APPLI-

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CABILITY OF THE TREATY, BUT RATHER THE MAINTENANCE OF COLOMBIA'S

RIGHTS ON CANAL PASSAGE TO DETERMINE IN WHAT WAY THESE RIGHTS CAN BE MAINTAINED WITHIN THE NEW MODALITIES OF A TREATY THAT HAS NOT YET BEEN SIGNED BUT WHICH IS BEING NEGOTIATED. I VIEW THE US REPLY AS A FAVORABLE CIRCUMSTANCE BECAUSE THE JURIDICAL SITUATION OF THE TREATY HAS CLARIFIED."

3. VAZQUEZ WENT ON TO SAY THAT COLOMBIA HAS FIRST TO NEGOTIATE WITH THE US AND THEN DISCUSS WITH PANAMA THE NATURE OF THE PROPOSED NEW TREATY BETWEEN PANAMA AND THE US. THESE ARE TWO SEPARATE NEGOTIATIONS THAT ARE MUTUALLY COMPLEMENTARY.

4. CUBA: WITH RESPECT TO CUBA, VAZQUEZ SAID THE MATTER WAS NOT DISCUSSED AT TLATELOLCO BUT THAT HE CAN SEE THAT THE SANCTIONS AGAINST CUBA ARE LOSING ALL IMPORTANCE FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS: DETENTE BETWEEN THE US AND THE SOCIALIST NATIONS; THE ACTIVE TRADE THAT EXISTS BETWEEN THE US AND THE SOVIET UNION; AND THE TRADE THAT SOME LA NATIONS ARE CARRYING ON WITH CUBA, OR HAVE IN THE PLANNING STAGE.

5. TLATELOLCO CONF: THE CONF WAS ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT OF RECENT TIMES, SAID VAZQUEZ, BECAUSE THE US RECOGNIZED LA AS AN AUTONOMOUS REGION, FREE TO CHOOSE BOTH ITS POLITICAL STYLE AND ITS ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL ORIENTATION. ON THE OTHER HAND, THE CONFERENCE CONSTITUTED A RECOGNITION BY LA OF ITS ABILITY TO NEGOTIATE COLLECTIVELY WITH THE US. FOR THE FOREGOING REASONS, SAID VAZQUEZ, HE BELIEVES THAT THE HEMISPHERE HAS PASSED FROM A MONOLOGUE TO A DIALOGUE AND FROM BILATERAL POLICIES TO A MULTILATERAL POLICY. THE POLITICAL RESULTS FOR THE FUTURE WILL BE GREAT BECAUSE IT IS ONE THING FOR THE US TO DEAL WITH 22 OR 23 NATIONS INDIVIDUALLY AND QUITE ANOTHER TO FACE A UNITED CONTINENT.

6. VAZQUEZ ADDED THAT THE FINAL COMMUNIQUE OF THE CONFERENCE DID NOT ENTIRELY REFLECT THE IMPORTANCE OF THE DISCUSSIONS THAT TOOK PLACE. HE SAID THAT IN THE PRIVATE DISCUSSIONS THE LATINS PUT SOME CONCRETE QUESTIONS TO SEC KISSINGER, WHICH HE ANSWERED WITH GREAT MASTERY OF THE SUBJECT MATTER TO BRING ABOUT A RAPPROCHEMENT WITH LA. VAZQUEZ WENT ON TO SAY THAT IT IS TOTALLY FALSE TO SAY THAT MR. KISSINGER WENT TO MEXICO TO ADOPT IMPERIALIST ATTITUDES. THE FONMIN SAID THAT FROM HIS OWN TALK WITH

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THE SECRETARY HE WAS SATISFIED THAT THE US WANTS TO HELP LA IN THE UPCOMING NEGOTIATIONS ON TRADE AND THE MONETARY SYSTEM.
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